

Sunday, June 04, 2006 America Online: EricNumis

Subj: **Re: ANA 1961!**
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Dear Radford:

As to your inquiry about the 1961 party in Atlanta I certainly was there. It was a blast and all of us enjoyed it. Let me think about where I might obtain information for you.

Have you checked Coin World, Numismatic News, The Numismatist, The Numismatic Scrapbook, the files at ANA, etc?

How about Ken Bressett, Adna Wilde, Harvey Stack, Harry Forman, George Fuld, etc?

This event was part of a nightmare for me. I was threatened with a suit for condemning the genuineness of 1805 and 1804 silver dollars belonging to a Philadelphia collector because of remarks I made at a standing room only Educational Forum. His lawyer and dealer Werner, etc. chewed me up in front of a large group. No one had the guts to help me. I had on exhibit my examples of the Confederate Half dollar and Cent with virtually no protection. I think I was trying to recover from malaria which I had just contracted in Africa. And guess what. It inspired me to start more research to write "The Fantastic 1804 Dollar" with Ken Bressett.

I hope I have been slightly helpful.

Eric

Radford Stearns

Thanks,

Eric,
 I have in my ANA memorabilia a cigarette lighter that dealer Blaise Dantone distributed at the 1961 ANA Convention in Atlanta. The lighter has a map engraved on it with directions to his home where he hosted a party. An Internet search for Blaise Dantone revealed that you attended that party when the SOPMC (now SPMC) was founded.
 If you have any recollections about that party at his home, I would greatly appreciate them. General Chairman George M. Todd and other locals who were active in that convention are gone.

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